10/575380 IAP15 Rec'd PCT/PTO 11 APR 2006

Docket No.: 2815-0249PUS2

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit: N/A

In re Patent Application of:

Niall Morton HAMILTON et al.

International Application No.: PCT/EP2004/052582

Application No.: NEW

Filed: April 11, 2006 Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: 1,5,7-TRISUBSTITUTED BENZIMIDAZOLE

DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE FOR MODULATING THE GABAA RECEPTOR

COMPLEX

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this paper.